



Docket No.: 1046.1319

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Yoshifumi SANUKI et al.

Application No.: 10/804,172

Group Art Unit: 2661

Filed: March 19, 2004

Examiner: To be Assigned

For: IDENTIFIER ASSIGNMENT SYSTEM, METHOD, AND PROGRAM

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47(A)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

INTRODUCTION

A Notice to File Missing Parts of Application issued June 1, 2004, setting a response due date of August 1, 2004, for which an appropriate extension of time is being obtained concurrently herewith.

Notwithstanding efforts by the Assignee, Fujitsu Limited, as discussed below, it has not been possible to obtain the co-inventor's, Mr. Junichi Kubota's, signature on the Declaration/Power of Attorney. Accordingly, Fujitsu Limited petitions herein for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to accept this application without this co-inventor's signature, and to move the application to examination.

PETITION PARTS

As parts of this Petition, there is provided:

A. An oath/declaration signed by the remaining two co-inventors, on behalf of all three co-inventors, pursuant to the MPEP § 409.03(a).

B. Proof that the Inventor cannot be reached after diligent effort: As noted in the Facts below, several registered letters were sent by Fujitsu Limited, to Mr. Kubota without response.

C. Last Known Address of Inventor: Mr. Junichi Kubota's last known address at the time of leaving Fujitsu Limited is:

3-5-22-201, Masugata
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FACTS

The following registered letters, copies attached with English translations, have been sent to Mr. Kubota in an effort to obtain his signature on the Declaration/Power of Attorney.

Exhibit 1. A Japanese language letter dated September 6, 2004 from Mr. Morimoto, Patent Administration Department, Fujitsu Limited, to Mr. Kubota at his last known address, requesting that Mr. Kubota sign a Declaration/Power of Attorney and an Assignment attached thereto. A Japanese postal receipt showing successful delivery on September 14, 2004, and an English language translation of the postal receipt, are also enclosed. Mr. Kubota, however, did not respond to the received letter.

Exhibit 2. A Japanese language letter dated November 16, 2004, from Mr. Morimoto, Patent Administration Department, Fujitsu Limited, to Mr. Kubota at his last known address. An English translation of the letter is also enclosed. A Japanese postal receipt showing attempted but unsuccessful delivery of the letter on November 17, 2004 and November 25, 2004, and an English language translation of the postal receipt, are also enclosed. Ultimately, the letter was returned to Fujitsu on November 29, 2004.

Exhibit 3. On December 3, 2004, Mr. Morimoto sent another letter to Mr. Kubota at the same address, copy with English translation attached. This letter was also returned to Fujitsu on December 14, 2004, as shown by the attached postal records.

It is respectfully submitted that the above facts show Fujitsu Limited has made diligent efforts to obtain Mr. Kubota's signature on the Declaration/Power of Attorney. However, Mr. Kubota has been unresponsive to the requests from Fujitsu Limited.

The grant of this Petition will prevent irreparable harm to Fujitsu Limited.

CONCLUSION

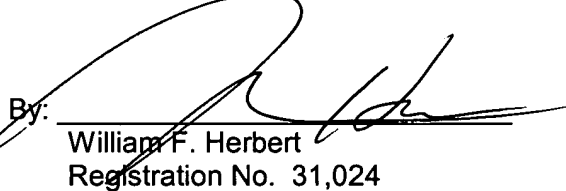
It is respectfully requested that this Petition be granted to allow the application be made by Fujitsu Limited on behalf of the unavailable co-inventor, Mr. Junichi Kubota.

The \$200 fee for this Petition is also enclosed. If any further fees are required, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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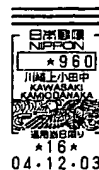
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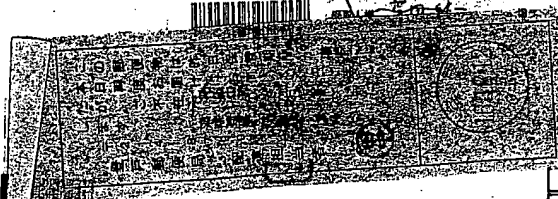
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